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II. Remarks

Reconsideration and re-examination of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is herein respectfully requested.

Claims 1-29 remain pending.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 3, 4 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 3, 4, 13 and 14, have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention. Accordingly, Applicant requests withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

Claims 1-29 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,923,152 to Guerrero (Guerrera).

Claims 1 and 22 claim a switched reluctance machine including a plurality of machine coils. Guerrero teaches a transformer for a power supply not a switched reluctance machine. One of ordinary skill in the art would not consider a power supply to the equivalent a switched reluctance machine. Further, claim 22 includes a plurality of magnetic cores corresponding to the machine coils.

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Guerrera also does not teach the plurality of magnetic cores. Therefore, Guerrera does not anticipate claims 1 and 22.

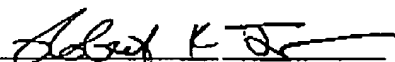
Claims 2-21 and 23-29 depend directly or indirectly from claim 1 or 22. Therefore, claims 2-21 and 23-29 are patentable for at least the reasons given above in support of claims 1 and 22. Accordingly, Applicant requests withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(b).

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present form of the claims are patentably distinguishable over the art of record and that this application is now in condition for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

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